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POLICE INVESTIGATE HOMICIDE IN PACIFIC BEACH

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the stabbing death of a male inside a Pacific Beach apartment this morning.

At 5:52 a.m., officers were dispatched to Bayard and Emerald Streets on a report of a stabbing. They arrived to find a 23-year-old male on the north sidewalk of Emerald Street. Paramedics arrived and attempted lifesaving measures, but the male died at the scene at 6:03 a.m.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the decedent (with a mask covering his face, gloves on his hands, and armed with a replica handgun) climbed through the window of an apartment on Bayard Street and threatened the sleeping residents. After making a demand for valuables, two males inside the apartment fought with the decedent, during which time the decedent was stabbed. The decedent ran from the apartment and phoned a friend for assistance. The friend arrived, determined his friend was in grave condition, and called 9-1-1. The replica handgun was found beneath the decedent.

Detectives are obtaining a search warrant to recover evidence, including marijuana believed to be inside the apartment.

The occupants of the apartment will be questioned and released pending additional investigation.

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